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NEWS BRIEFS

SGLI automatically increases in Sept.

Effective Sept. 1, Serviceman's Group Life Insurance coverage automatically increases to \$400,000 for everyone. Note: Coverage increases even if reservists previously declined or elected lesser coverage. If you still desire no coverage or less than the maximum, visit the Military Personnel Flight.

Mentoring made easier through web

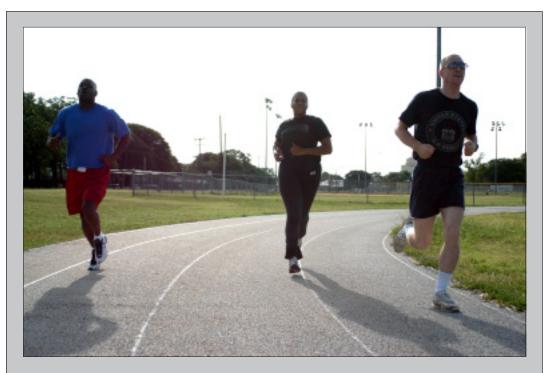
The 301st Fighter Wing *Mentoring* website is up and running. Simply access the wing webpage. It's designed for "one-stop shopping" and covers all mentoring program aspects.

License free for active-duty Texans

Effective Sept. 1, Texas military members, including Reserve or National Guard members currently on active duty, can obtain a free hunting and fishing license. For more details, call 512.389.4846.

New wing IG chosen

Colonel Vincent S. Wilcox is the new 301st Fighter Wing Inspector General. Wing members can contact the new IG at 817. 782.6956.



On track for fitness

Tech. Sgt. Patrick McShan, 301st Services Flight fitness monitor, Tech. Sgt. Udrika Baldwin, 301st SVF training manager and Tech. Sgt. James Gilbert, 301 SVF unit deployment manager take a practice lap around the base running track in preparation for their annual fitness test. A voluntary Health and Fitness Workshop will be held Saturday, Aug. 6, in the base theater at 10 a.m. Some of the topics will include: Developing a plan for the goal of continued exercise, phases of exercise progression, techniques to improve your fitness score, and nutrition. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Julie Briden-Garcia, Public Affairs.)

Honor Guard takes national award

Tech. Sgt. Stephen Bailey
Public Affairs

The 301st Fighter Wing Honor Guard takes center stage not as the presenter but as the recipient of the Air Force Association's highest achievement – the 2005 Citation of Honor.

This annual honor is given in recognition of outstanding contributions by an individual or group in the development of aerospace power.

AFA's chairman, Pat Condon,

remarked how the 301st Honor Guard has always led the way in outstanding performances and in displaying a sterling image in regard to national defense and aerospace. He also said the honor guard was hands down the best choice for this year's award.

"This is an outstanding award recognizing one of the Air Force's best time-honored traditions," said Col. Max Mendoza, 301st Mission Support Group commander. "I am so very proud of the men and women who serve

within this wing's honor guard unit. Their accomplishments and their phenomenal achievements with both the military and civilian communities have not gone unnoticed and are finally being rewarded on a tremendous scale."

From its inception in the early 90's known as the *color guard*, the 301st FW team had more than 32 volunteer members who were eager to step up and repre-

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Volunteerism ... making 301st "family" stand out

Col. Ken Bachelor

301st Operations Group Commander

am constantly amazed by the members of the 301st Fighter Wing and their proud history of volunteering — stepping up to the plate to defend our nation. It seems no matter how dirty or complicated the task, our 301st "family" always answers the call to volunteer, and answers it in a big way.

In last month's *Fighter Line*, Col. Bill Schauffert, 301st FW vice commander, explained the new AEF 20-month cycle and where the 301st fits into it. The new AEF construct of 120-day rotations calls for less swapouts of unit personnel and their equipment than the old 90-day rotations; it's designed to lessen the strain on our logistics "train" while we fight the global war on terror in far away places like Iraq

and Afghanistan.

This new construct, while meeting the goal of lessening the strain on our logistics train, has unfortunately resulted in more of a strain on our people in the way of longer deployments and time spent away from home. I am here to tell you, your wing leadership recognizes this increased ops tempo and has not turned a blind eye to it.

From my vantage point as the Operations Group commander, I know for a fact, the people above me have, at every chance, been as proactive as they can possibly be in lessening the demands put on our personnel in the Reserve. Unfortunately, the very real global war on terror means there is still a lot of work the military **must** get done if we are to be successful in our fight to stamp out terrorism. Once again, 301st members are being asked to "step up to the



plate" in this fall's AEF rotation

The time we are asking of our reservists, while the nation fights the global war on terror, is unprecedented and is more than we have ever had to ask for before. Yet, when a sign-up list gets put up on a wall, we never have a shortfall of patriotic men and women answering the call

--volunteering to do these dirty jobs.

This is what makes me the proudest of being a member of the 301st! Our people are outstanding and willing to volunteer for even the toughest jobs that come along. I know you all will make us proud once again --answering the call in a big way this fall.

Welcome

Ms. Vicki Majors
our new
301st Fighter Wing
Sexual Assault
Response Coordinator



Ms. Majors previously provided prevention, assessment, and treatment services for the Navy's Family Advocacy Program that deals with spouse and child abuse. She was activeduty Air Force as a clinical social worker from 1979 to 1985 and 1990 to 1999. Before retiring in Aug. 1999, she worked mostly in mental health, substance abuse, and family advocacy. Her qualifications include a license in social work, her past experience in the mental health field and the collateral duty in the Navy as their sexual assault victim intervention coordinator.

FIGHTER LINE

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Deadline for unsolicited submissions is close of business Monday after the "A" schedule unit training assembly.

Articles should be typed, single-spaced, and, if possible, submitted via email to the public affairs office at 301fw.pa@carswell.af.mll. For more information, call the 301st Fighter Wing public affairs office at 817.782.7170.

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301st Fighter Wing

Airman of the Quarter Apr. to June 2005

Senior Airman
Victor M. Granados
Medical Services Apprentice

301st Aerospace Medicine Squadron



Senior Airman Granados's accomplishments:

Senior Airman Granados accomplished the highest percentage of skills attained by our medical technicians. He was AMDS commander's choice for Self-Aid and Buddy Care instructor, then aided the 73rd Aerial Port Squadron in their bivouac to provide real-world medical care to its members. Airman Granados also volunteered to support the wing's first Combat Dining-In providing medical support. He completed his CDC requirements in record time with an outstanding score while attaining his Certified Hyperbaric Technologist credentials. He has more than 85 community volunteer hours through his church, unit and homeless shelters.

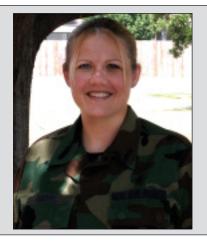
301st Fighter Wing

NCO of the Quarter Apr. to June 2005

Tech. Sgt. Angela A. Rabel

Health Service Helper

301st Aerospace Medicine Squadron



Tech. Sgt. Rabel's accomplishments:

Tech. Sgt. Rabel was hand-picked to become the Immunizations Clinic NCOIC. She expertly manages this wing program for more than 1600 reserve members; while directing two clinics on reserve weekends, she worked successfully to cut wait time by 20 percent. Sergeant Rabel supported multiple deployment processing lines for the Operational Readiness Exercise and Inspection for more than 1200 reservists. She also received the highest percentage of enlisted upgrade requirements in her flight. Sergeant Rabel spearheads outreach support groups and outings for women with special needs as well as managing many community and in-house church programs.

301st Fighter Wing

SNCO of the Quarter
Apr. to June 2005
Master Sgt.
John F. Harlin
Aircraft Armament
Systems Mechanic

301st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron



Master Sgt. Harlin's accomplishments:

Master Sgt. Harlin's mastering skills earned him the position as Weapons Expediter for the loading section. He worked long, strenuous hours prior to the March 2004 Operational Readiness Inspection getting the weapons system up to prime operating mode; these actions led to five "outstanding" and five "excellent" ratings out of ten inspection areas. Sergeant Harlin was also a key contributor to the unit winning the Air Force Reserve Command's coveted Maintenance Effectiveness Award in '02 and '04. He also volunteers with his church to distribute food to the needy and elderly.

SPOTLIGHT: Chaplain Mark McDaniel

Chaplain prepares for lifelong mission

Staff Sqt. Kristin Mack

Public Affairs

rips to the legal office, customer service and the clinic were just some of the places you could find Captain Mark McDaniel, 301st Fighter Wing Chaplain, during the July Unit Training Assembly. These were just a few brief stops he made as he prepares with anticipation to go on his first tour to the desert where he can fulfill the mission he was born to accomplish.

Chaplain McDaniel will report to Balad Air Base, Iraq, along with several other members of the 301st FW, as part of the AEF 7-8 rotation, which departs toward the end of August.

The Chaplain will temporarily leave his full-time, civilian profession as a government, history, and theology teacher at Arlington Baptist College. Most importantly, he leaves his wife, to engage in a mission he has anticipated for many years.

"I don't like being away from my family, but I am excited to minister to my calling and what I've trained for all of my life. My mission there is to be a visible reminder of the hope of God and encourager to those in need."

During his tour he will work alongside an active duty Chaplain from Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., with whom he is already in contact, while fulfilling the role of Wing chaplain. His remote duties will include unit visitation, worship services, and counseling to the troops.

Chaplain Powell will cover for the Chaplain at his home station during his absence by providing the sermons on UTA Sundays and other duties as they arise.

This four-month tour is not the first de-



Chaplain (Capt.) Mark McDaniel begins worship service with a prayer in the 301st Fighter Wing headquarters building during July's UTA. Chaplain McDaniel is head chaplain of the 301st FW's chaplain team consisting of three assistants and one additional chaplain. (*Photo by Staff Sgt. Kristin Mack, Public Affairs.*)

ployment the minister has performed during his 22-year military tenure but perhaps the most remote.

"I have been to Germany and Cuba but this will be the furthest and most exotic place I've ever been to," said Chaplain McDaniel.

There are countless arrangements to be made in preparation for such a mission but the most important are those with his wife, who remains concerned but proud of her husband. The couple plans to email regularly and to take full advantage of the two morale calls allowed each week.

In addition, they will continue the academic courses the Chaplain teaches at his

civilian job through an online forum. His wife, who is a kindergarten teacher, will assist in administering the courses electronically, along with a student-hire.

Aside from the prospect of fulfilling his spiritual undertaking in the upcoming journey to the desert sands, one of the most meaningful parts of the planned deployment for the Chaplain is the fact that he will be following in the footsteps of his father who served during World War II.

"My father went to Vietnam twice to make the world a better place for his family," said Chaplain McDaniel. "I hope to live up to the example he set for me in his honor and memory."

Fighter Focus on...

Senior Airman Scott Hensley



Hometown: Plano, Texas

Organization: 301st Military Operations Flight

301st member since: May 2002

Position:

Information Management/ Administrative Support

Which means:

"I work in the orderly room...basically following Tech. Sgt. Ester Cox's instructions!"

When not at NAS JRB:

"I work for FYI Television, Inc., as a computer programmer and net developer."

The most rewarding aspect of my job:

"...is working with each unit within the flight!"

Favorite pastime/hobbies:

"I enjoy playing guitar, golfing, and jogging."

Goals:

"My goals are to possibly get commissioned, work through my current career field, and close on that house."

Air Force accepting physician assistant applications

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPN) – The Air Force is taking applications for Physician Assistant (PA) Phase I training classes beginning in January, April and August 2007 and for the Doctor of Physical Therapy (PT) Program which begins Dec. 17, 2006, at the Health Science Center at Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Only active-duty enlisted Airmen are eligible to apply.

The PA selection board is scheduled to convene at the Air Force Personnel Center here March 21, 2006, with the PT board held in December. Completed applications must be sent by military personnel flights and arrive, for the PA, no later than Jan. 27 at HQ AFPC/DPAMW, 550 C Street West, Suite 27, Randolph AFB TX 78150-4729; and, for the PT, no later than Nov. 25 at HQ AFPC/DPAMW, 550 C Street West, Suite 27, Randolph AFB, TX, 78150-4729.

Incomplete applications, or those received after the cutoff date, will be returned and will not meet the selection board, AFPC officials said.

For more information, Airmen can contact their local military personnel flight, education office or visit the AFPC Web site online at www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/medical/BSC/Education/PAapplication.htm for the PA and for the PT, visit www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/medical/BSC/Education/ptweb05.doc. (Courtesy of AFPC News Service)

Reserve seeks applicants for full-time

WASHINGTON – The Air Force Reserve is looking for officers and enlisted people to fill full-time Active Guard and Reserve positions.

In the past 15 years, the number of AGR slots has increased from 400 to more than 1,900 authorizations.

"We have opportunities in many specialties but a larger concentration in career fields such as security forces, combat rescue, intelligence, maintenance, space, pilot and personnel," said Maj. Dawn M. Suitor, deputy di-

rector of the AGR Management Office in the Pentagon's Office of Air Force Reserve. "Currently, Air Force Reserve Command's hard-to-fill positions are in security forces, intelligence and combat rescue. We are actively seeking volunteers for these programs."

Information about vacancies and application procedures, as well as more details on the program are available on the AGR Management Office's restricted Web site at www.re.hq.af.mil/agr/agrhome2.html. (AFRC News Service)

NSPS survey period extended

WASHINGTON (AFPN) – Response to a survey about the new National Security Personnel System has been "enthusiastic," so defense officials extended the survey period through July 27 to allow civil service employees more opportunity to participate.

The survey period began July 6 and was initially scheduled to continue through July 20. Officials said the one-week extension will give more employees an opportunity to weigh in their views.

The survey is online at www.pfsurvey.net/nsps.

DOD changes form 93 to avoid heartaches

WASHINGTON (**AFPN**) – Two sad cases recently highlighted the need for service members to designate who should receive their remains if they are killed in action.

DOD has changed the Record of Emergency Data Form — DD Form 93 — to require service members to designate exactly who should be declared the "person authorized to direct disposition" of remains.

The change grew out of the cases of a Soldier and a Marine killed in Iraq earlier this year. In both cases, the men — both unmarried — had not designated a person authorized to direct disposition, and their parents

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sent the military during ceremonies and formal presentations.

"Those were great days of service to the base and the community," said Senior Master Sgt. Ben Combs, former honor guard member and still strong supporter of today's honor guard. "We had great fun together in traveling, building camaraderie, making new friends, and in representing the military in a positive light – it was a great experience for everyone involved."

"This award is an honor to all of us who serve..."

--Tech. Sgt. Udrika Baldwin

However, during the next few years, the team lost membership because of conflicting time schedules and personal constraints limiting the team's manning to a dedicated few. Officials agree that it has just been within the last few years that the honor guard has grown much stronger through better leadership and command support.

"I am so proud of the hard work the honor guard has done, not only to earn this award, but in creating a rebirth in membership and in embracing a renewed conviction for community outreach and involvement," said Colonel Mendoza. "Master Sgt. Ross Wood and his team should be highly credited for a job well done."

"Being a part of the 301st Fighter Wing honor guard is one of the best things I could have done for my military career," said Tech. Sgt. Udrika Baldwin, a five-year team member and lead trainer. "This award is an honor to all of us who serve – a true recognition of the hard work and dedication each team member contributes every day."

Notable accomplishments cited

by the AFA award committee included the 301st HG taking responsibility as the lead training element for the Joint Service Honor Guard. In this capacity, the team flawlessly supervised and performed in more than 1,900 military funeral honors at the Dallas/Fort Worth National Cemetery and at local cemeteries.

The team also went on to coordinate the Joint Service Color Guard and all related protocol for the Dallas Military Ball--working directly with the United States Army Command Staff and the "Old Guard" honor guard in Washington D.C., to ensure appropriate protocol was observed. The team's efforts were lauded by Gen. Eric Shinseki, Army Chief of Staff.

"The 301st honor guard continues to make impressive and significant contributions to the success of its honor guard team as well as its outstanding reflection of the Air Force Reserve Command as a whole," said Maj. Gen. David E. Tanzi, Air Force Reserve Command vice commander.

The accomplishments even continued on a personal level when two 301st HG team members had an unprecedented sweep of both awards from Air Force Reserve Command, Master Sgt. Paul Chavez, 2004 Program Manager of the Year and Tech. Sgt. Karen Albin, 2004 Guardsman of the Year

"My honor guard service has taught me so much in regards to leadership and teamwork," said Sergeant Baldwin. "I would not trade this experience for anything and I look forward to learning so much more."

A final comment came from USAF Honor Guard officials at Bolling AFB, Washington D.C., recognizing the 301st HG for continuing to set the standard among joint operations -- far and away leading all other bases in number and quality of services and functions performed.

301st officials are scheduled to attend award ceremonies in Washington D.C., to accept the AFA award later this year.

301st Fighter Wing Commander's

Action Line

ACTION LINE is your opportunity to make NAS JRB Fort Worth a better place to live, work and play.

When you call 817.782.5719 or send email to 301action.line@carswell. af.mil your comments will be recorded and staffed through the agency responsible for the action.

Please give your supervisor and chain of command the opportunity to work with you in answering questions and solving problems before calling ACTION LINE. Items of basewide interest to the 301st workforce will be published in the *Fighter Line*.

In March of this year, Dr. Gene Wood passed away. He was a founding father of the Fort Worth Civic Leaders Association and a veteran. The Dr. Gene Wood Award is presented each year to one outstanding member of the 301st Fighter Wing at the civic leaders' luncheon held here.

I have read several articles and have seen many pictures of Dr. Wood with general officers – receiving the Jimmy Doolittle Award at what was then Carswell Air Force Base. Dr. Wood helped bring many nice things to the members of this installation over the years.

I am sure his many good offerings and support have been recognized in the past. Is there something more we can do in light of his passing?

We'd be happy to honor Dr. Wood's memory with a special award and will plan on a presentation at a future commander's call or other appropriate venue.

The Greater Fort Worth Area Civic Leaders Association has been a terrific friend to the 301st Fighter Wing and to this base.

For the past four years, this organization has conducted a remarkable, base-wide "military appreciation barbeque" and spends between twenty and twenty-five thousand dollars just on this annual event. The barbeque's highlight is the awards ceremony where more than 50 specially engraved plaques and statues are presented to individual reservists and units from all base reserve components for participation in deployments and for individual and group participation in local community service.

Additionally, this association donated five thousand dollars to the 301st Fighter Wing to help sponsor the Band of the Air Force Reserve for a local recruiting and community relations drive in January 2001.

During the days before Carswell AFB closed, they donated electronic score-boards for Carswell's base-ball fields and color televisions for what was then the base hospital. At one time this group donated \$10,000 to keep the NCO club open and partially-funded a remodeling effort for the base chapel.

To learn more about the Greater Fort Worth Area Civic Leaders Association, visit their website at www.fwcivicleaders.org.





E-exam gives reservists scheduling flexibility

With the full implementation of computer-based testing, our schedule has changed dramatically.

Regularly scheduled testing is on Tuesdays at 1 p.m.; Thursdays at 9 a.m.; Saturdays, "A" UTA at 1 p.m.; Sundays "A" UTA at 9 a.m.; and Saturdays, on the alternate UTA at 1 p.m. However, the biggest change has been in unscheduled testing. Should you need to test, and none of our "scheduled" testing times are convenient to your schedule, please call us at 817.782.6981. With a few hours notice, this office may accommodate same-day testing.

We must have a current AFIADL website printout, so, if the website is down, we can't allow you to test. We must also allow three hours for the testing session, so testing must begin no later than 1:30 p.m. However, beyond these two limitations, we'll do everything we can to accommodate

your schedule

The new process has given us access to well over 950 computer-based exams, and with very few exceptions (i.e., Air War College), almost everyone will be testing with a computer-based program and receiving their score on the same day the test is administered.



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were divorced.

"The tragedy of loss in the two cases was compounded for the surviving parents because neither one was granted sole custody of the service member when they were divorced," said John M. Molino, the deputy undersecretary of defense for military community and family policy.

With no one specified to receive their remains, the services followed long-standing rules. In these cases, the older parent received the remains. In the Soldier's case, burial was delayed for weeks until a court ruled on the situation. The Marine's case is still pending. (AFPN)

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Master Sgt. Paul C. Jordon 301 OG

Master Sgt. Patricia D. Willis

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301 SFS

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